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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
WPAT; JAPIO; CAPLUS; USPTO; Espace@net; IPC above and Keywords - Bayer, ultraso+, sound+, purity, purific+, alumin+

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 4062696 A (DUCOTE), 13 December 1977 Whole document	1-20
A	CN 1072214 (UNIVERSITY OF ZHONGNAN POLYTECHNIC) 19 May 1993 (abstract). [online] [retrieved on 2004-12-06]. Retrieved from Espace@net.	1
A	US 6335396 B1 (CHEVALLIER et al), 1 January 2002	1
A	WO 1989/005184 A (LAIHO K.U.), 15 June 1989	1

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